

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES DEPARTMENT

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Neighborhood Grants Program

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LETTER FROM THE MAYOR



Dear Friends:

Through support of individual neighborhood revitalization efforts, we've helped our communities help themselves. Rather than look to government to provide generic help, we've been able to give citizens the tools and support they need in order to bring about positive change in Chattanooga's communities. One important program which has helped strengthen neighborhoods has been the implementation of Neighborhood Services Department's "Neighborhood Grants Program."

Each of our neighborhoods is different; each has their own challenges and successes. This program focuses on giving those who best know our neighborhoods the resources they need to bring about change—the people who live in that area.

As you'll see in this report, this program has been successful over the past 5 years in assisting neighborhoods and I look forward to seeing the many great dividends it produces over the coming years.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Bob Corker", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Bob Corker
Mayor



LETTER FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR



It gives me a great sense of satisfaction to glance back over the last five years and see the giant strides that our city's neighborhoods have taken with the added support of the Neighborhood Services Department's "Neighborhood Grants Program" funds.

Whether it was putting on a neighborhood festival or refurbishing a park pavillion, our neighbors have initiated their own neighborhood revitalization effort, while demonstrating true community spirit in the process. Neighborhood Services is proud to have been there every step of the way.

We look forward to next year's Neighborhood Grant Program with much optimism. The Neighborhood Services Department will strive to positively impact the lives of our neighbors through grants that make a difference—grants that create *neighborhoods of choice*.

Warmest Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kenardo Curry". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being more prominent.

Kenardo Curry

Administrator
Neighborhood Services Department



PROGRAM GUIDELINES

Every year, the primary purpose of the Neighborhood Grants Program is to help improve and strengthen Chattanooga's neighborhoods. Through this program, funds have been appropriated to provide support to neighborhood activists who propose specific neighborhood projects that enhance their communities.

Any neighborhood association, civic organization or committee located within the Chattanooga city limits that has been in existence for at least six (6) months prior to the application date is eligible for a neighborhood grant.

Typical projects that are awarded grants fall into the following project categories:

- Economic Development
- Education
- Neighborhood Development
- Crime Prevention/ Homeland Security
- Beautification

For a project to be awarded a grant, it must fulfill the following selection criteria:

- Impact: projects should show a measurable benefit to the community
- Neighborhood Involvement: residents should actively participate in the design, implementation, and evaluation of the grant.
- Capacity: projects should reflect the neighborhood's ability to implement the scope of their project in terms of appropriate staff and budget.
- Partnerships: projects should include the support of organizations within the targeted area.
- Sustainability: Projects should be well structured, presenting a plan for sustainable and long-term growth.

YEAR BY YEAR SUMMARY: 1999

1999 was the inception year of the Neighborhood Grants Program offered by the Neighborhood Services Department (NSD). The NSD proved that it was ahead of its time when leadership decided to combine two different funding sources to broaden the eligibility opportunities for neighborhood organizations. One funding source came from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), the other came from the City of Chattanooga's general fund. The vision of offering grassroots assistance to community groups was launched and the Neighborhood Grants Program made its successful debut.

Total Grants for 1999\$278,139.00
Organizations Receiving Grants: 34

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2000 With the approaching new millennium and the growing awareness of the importance of thriving neighborhoods to the success of a city, the Neighborhood Services Department committed more funds to neighborhood grants than ever before. This was accomplished through diversifying the type of grants that were offered into three different packages: general grants that were available to neighborhood associations, faith based grants that were available to faith based organizations, and neighborhood block grants targeted at geographic areas within an organization's boundaries.

2001 September 11th, 2001 left an indelible mark on the hearts of all Americans. After the initial shock our nation took a "business as usual" stance toward the events. The Neighborhood Services Department began to refine the approach used to support our community activists. In 2001 a new funding process was introduced. Any neighborhood wishing to participate would have to offer a 33% match to the requested amount. Neighborhood Services would provide 66% of the total. The result: the match raised the bar for neighborhood commitment to projects, as well as providing added structure and organization to the grant program.

2002 In 2002, the citizens of Chattanooga elected Mayor Bob Corker to office. As a result, the program underwent added changes under his platform cornerstone: revitalizing Chattanooga neighborhoods. To champion his initiative, the Neighborhood Services Department developed five project categories (economic development, education, neighborhood development, crime prevention/homeland security, beautification) requiring applicants to closely adhere to a specific type of project. The added focus allowed for more efficient and effective fund allocation to our neighbors.

2003 Our present grant year was one of the best ever. The Neighborhood Grants Program has undergone quite an evolution. The program today is an organized, professional effort to get resources to our neighborhoods where they need it most. While the application process has become more structured, the mission of the program remains the same as it was five years ago: to offer directed support to our communities at the grassroots level. This was evidenced this year by the addition of a technical workshop offering assistance to our neighbors throughout their application process.

YEAR BY YEAR SUMMARY: 2000-2003

Total Grants for 2000\$294,100.40
Organizations Receiving Grants: 45

Total Grants for 2001\$81,494.67
Organizations Receiving Grants: 16

Total Grants for 2002\$115,000.00
Organizations Receiving Grants: 18

Total Grants for 2003\$115,000.00
Organizations Receiving Grants: 27

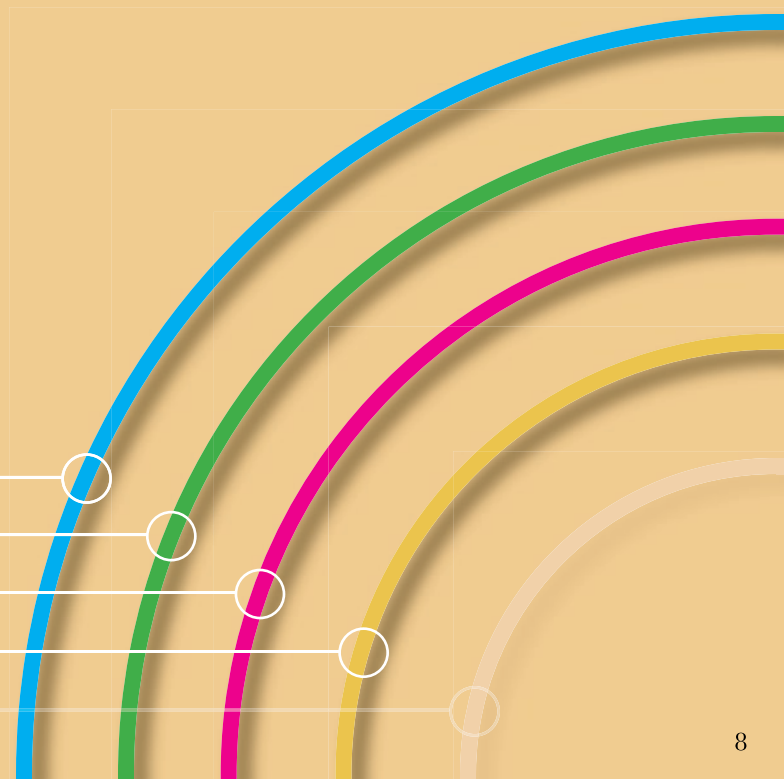
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GRANT INDEX 1999-2001

1999 Recipients

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| Northside Neighborhood House..... | \$ 2,500.00 |
| Lake Hills Neighborhood Association | 3,064.00 |
| Liles Addition Neighborhood Association | 2,300.00 |
| Eastdale Neighborhood Watch | 10,000.00 |
| North Brainerd Community Association | 10,000.00 |
| Foxwood Heights Community Club | 10,000.00 |
| Eastdale Neighborhood Association | 10,000.00 |
| Indian Hills Community Association..... | 10,000.00 |
| Shepherd Community Council..... | 10,000.00 |
| Hillsboro Heights Community Association | 10,000.00 |
| Cedar Hill Improvement League, Inc..... | 1,500.00 |
| South Brainerd Neighborhood Association | 6,644.00 |
| Ridgedale Community Association..... | 6,500.00 |
| Brainerd Hills Neighborhood Association | 10,000.00 |
| St. Elmo Business League | 2,100.00 |
| St. Elmo Improvement League..... | 4,400.00 |
| Woodland Heights Neighborhood Watch..... | 7,777.00 |
| East Lake Neighborhood Association | 9,000.00 |
| Richmond Neighborhood Association..... | 10,000.00 |
| Alton Park Development Corporation..... | 10,000.00 |
| Southside Neighborhood House..... | 3,300.00 |
| M. L. King Neighborhood Association..... | 8,000.00 |
| Bushtown Neighborhood Association | 10,000.00 |
| Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity | 10,000.00 |
| Harriet Tubman Resident Corporation..... | 10,000.00 |
| Community 2000 | 10,000.00 |
| Southside Historic District..... | 10,000.00 |
| Drug Education for Youth (DEFY) | 10,000.00 |
| Neighborhood Watch Program of Glenwood | 5,000.00 |
| Glenwood Neighborhood Association | 6,350.00 |
| East Chattanooga Intervention Association..... | 7,140.00 |
| East Chattanooga-Avondale Community..... | 10,000.00 |
| Highland Park Neighborhood Watch Assoc. | 10,000.00 |
| W. S. Hight Community | 10,000.00 |

1999 TOTAL.....\$278,139.00

2000 Recipients

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|---|--------------|
| 100 Black Men of Chattanooga | \$ 10,000.00 |
| Alton Park/ Piny Woods N. A. | 7,000.00 |
| Bal Harbor Home Owner's Association | 2,787.40 |
| Bushtown Neighborhood Association | 10,000.00 |
| Churchville Neighborhood Association | 3,000.00 |
| Cosmopolitan Community Church | 2,500.00 |
| Cromwell Hills Residents' Council | 10,000.00 |
| East Lake Neighborhood Association | 4,500.00 |
| Emma Wheeler Homes N. A. | 5,000.00 |
| First Centenary United Methodist Church | 2,800.00 |
| Forrest Hill Community Association..... | 10,000.00 |
| Fortwood Neighborhood Association..... | 8,500.00 |
| Glenwood Partnership | 3,000.00 |
| Greater St. John Baptist Church | 6,500.00 |
| Hamilton Mills Homeowners Association | 6,870.00 |
| Harriet Tubman Agency Coalition | 1,000.00 |
| Hemphill Neighborhood Association | 9,890.00 |
| Highland Park Neighborhood Association | 10,000.00 |
| Hill City Neighborhood Association | 5,000.00 |
| Hope Covenant Church..... | 8,000.00 |
| Kings Point Neighborhood Organization..... | 8,500.00 |
| Lake Hills Neighborhood Association | 1,210.00 |
| Liles Addition Neighborhood Association | 3,000.00 |
| Living Word Ministries | 10,000.00 |
| Martin Luther King Neighborhood Association | 8,500.00 |
| Mary Walker Towers Resident Council, Inc. | 3,000.00 |
| McDowell Memorial COGIC | 10,000.00 |
| Meadowlawn Neighborhood Watch..... | 10,000.00 |
| Mission Ridge Neighborhood Association..... | 500.00 |
| Neighborhood Block Grants..... | 4,000.00 |
| Oak Grove Neighborhood Association | 10,000.00 |
| Olivet Baptist Church | 5,000.00 |
| Overage/Contingency fund..... | 6,000.00 |
| Pi Omega Foundation Alpha Kappa Alpha | 7,500.00 |
| Riverside Area Community Club | 5,000.00 |
| Shepherd Community Council..... | 10,000.00 |
| South Brainerd Neighborhood Association | 3,000.00 |

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| South Chattanooga Gateway Corporation..... | 2,375.00 |
| Southside Gardens N. A. | 10,000.00 |
| Southside Historic District | 10,000.00 |
| St. Luke Methodist Church | 2,800.00 |
| St. Mark United Methodist Church..... | 7,700.00 |
| Thankful Baptist Church | 8,000.00 |
| The Chattanooga Chapter of the Links | 10,000.00 |
| Warren Chapel AME Church | 7,500.00 |
| Washington Hills Neighborhood Association | 3,000.00 |
| Woodland Heights Neighborhood Watch..... | 1,168.00 |

2000 TOTAL.....\$294,100.40

2001 Recipients

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|--|-------------|
| Alton Park Development Corporation..... | \$ 8,000.00 |
| Brainerd Hills Neighborhood Association | 1,000.00 |
| Bushtown Neighborhood Association..... | 3,075.00 |
| Chattanooga Neighborhood Council Board | 10,000.00 |
| Churchville Neighborhood Association | 600.00 |
| East Lake Neighborhood Association | 1,500.00 |
| Fortwood Neighborhood Association..... | 4,400.00 |
| Hamilton Mills Neighborhood Association | 3,239.78 |
| Highland Park Neighborhood Watch | 1,500.00 |
| meadowlawn neighborhood association | 10,000.00 |
| Missionary Ridge Neighborhood Association | 2,825.00 |
| Mountain View Court Neighborhood Association | 10,000.00 |
| Northside Community Association | 750.00 |
| Overage/contingency fund..... | 10,000.00 |
| Ridgedale Neighborhood Association | 5,404.89 |
| Spring Valley Neighborhood Association | 5,000.00 |
| UTC-COPC | 1,200.00 |
| Washington Hills Neighborhood | 1,500.00 |
| Westside Youth Center | 1,500.00 |

2001 TOTAL.....\$81,494.67

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2002 Recipients

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| Friends of Mountain Creek | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Implementation Committee of Hamilton Place | 2,500.00 |
| Washington Hills Neighborhood Association | 3,000.00 |
| Northbriar Community Council | 1,000.00 |
| Missionary Ridge Neighborhood Association | 2,000.00 |
| St Elmo /Alton Park Partners, Inc. | 3,656.00 |
| Northside Community Association | 1,400.00 |
| Alton Park Development Corporation | 2,000.00 |
| Emma Wheeler Homes Residents Associations | 10,000.00 |
| Bushtown Neighborhood Association | 6,700.00 |
| Fortwood Neighborhood Association | 4,490.00 |
| M. L. King Neighborhood Association | 6,700.00 |
| Thankful Community Development Corporation | 6,700.00 |
| Westside Community Development Corporation | 8,590.00 |
| Highland Park Neighborhood Association | 10,000.00 |
| The Historic Organization of Ferger Place | 7,000.00 |
| Oak Grove Neighborhood Association | 1,000.00 |
| Chattanooga Neighborhood Association Council | 1,300.00 |
| Overage/Contingency fund | 35,954.00 |

2002 TOTAL \$ 115,000.00

2003 Recipients

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| Oak Hill North Neighborhood Association | \$ 1,000.00 |
| Spring Valley Community Club | 3,300.00 |
| Bal Harbor Home Owners Association | 4,530.00 |
| Ashwood Homeowners Association | 6,650.00 |
| Friends of Chattanooga-(Friends:EB) | 6,520.00 |
| Brainerd Manor Neighborhood Association | 1,000.00 |
| Northbriar Community Club | 670.00 |
| Washington Hills Neighborhood Association | 200.00 |
| Cedar Hill Improvement League | 1,000.00 |
| Missionary Ridge Neighborhood Association | 1,200.00 |
| Alton Park Development Corporation | 6,990.00 |
| Alton Park/Pincy Woods Coalition | 2,500.00 |
| East Lake Neighborhood Association | 540.00 |
| Northside Community Association | 1,340.00 |
| St Elmo Improvement League | 6,990.00 |
| St Elmo/Alton Park Partners, Inc. | 1,543.00 |
| Bushtown Neighborhood Association | 5,450.00 |
| Clifton Hills Neighborhood Association | 6,990.00 |
| Park City Community Club | 1,000.00 |
| Thankful Community Development Corporation | 6,990.00 |
| Highland Park Neighborhood Association | 6,990.00 |
| Historic Organization of Ferger Place | 1,500.00 |
| Neighborhood Watch Program of Glenwood | 1,000.00 |
| Oak Grove Neighborhood Association | 6,990.00 |
| Ridgedale Community Organization | 6,990.00 |
| Chattanooga Neighborhood Association Council | 6,990.00 |
| Courtwatch Partners | 1,000.00 |
| Overage/Contingency fund | 17,137.00 |

2003 Total \$ 115,000.00

5-Year Total

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|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1999 | \$278,139.00 |
| 2000 | 294,100.40 |
| 2001 | 81,494.67 |
| 2002 | 115,000.00 |
| 2003 | 115,000.00 |
| TOTAL | \$883,734.07 |

LEADERSHIP

Neighborhood Grants Review Committee

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|-------------------------|---|
| Pete Cooper..... | Community Foundation of Greater Chattanooga |
| Eva Dillard..... | United Way of Chattanooga, Inc. |
| Sara Morgan | Lyndhurst Foundation |
| Beverly Johnson..... | City of Chattanooga Public Works |
| Janice Hester | City of Chattanooga Parks, Recreation & Culture |
| Gary Rudolph | Community Impact Fund |
| Al Chapman..... | Front Porch Alliance |
| Telaine Nicholson | Living Word Church of God in Christ |
| Steve White | Chattanooga Cares |
| Carolyn Burke | Chattanooga Neighborhood Enterprise |

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